



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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RYUICHI YOSHIZAWA	)	
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Application No.: 10/790,739	)	
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed Japanese Reference is also enclosed.

A concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document may be found at page 18 of the specification.

## **CONCLUSION**

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	6,266,151	07/24/2001	Tachibana et al.	358	1.4		
	6,301,452	10/09/2001	Yoshizawa	399	45		
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	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT	
	2001-88370	04/03/2001	Japan			Abstract	
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
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